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Applicant : Andrew Kerr  
Appl. No. : 09/900,241  
Filed : July 6, 2001  
For : AXIALLY-CONNECTED STENT/GRAFT ASSEMBLY

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**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES**

Sir:

This Request is submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Office Action dated August 28, 2002. The Office Action noted that FIGS. 4 and 5 did not include the reference numeral 28 to identify the hooks shown in FIGS. 4 and 5. This Request is accompanied by a copy of the sheets of drawings with FIGS. 4 and 5. That sheet of drawing had been annotated with red ink to show the numeral 28. Formal drawings that incorporate this revision will be filed upon allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

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## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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